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Attorney Docket No. 21465-510 UTIL

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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APPLICANTS :	John H. Leamon, <i>et al.</i>	CONFIRMATION NUMBER :	5560
SERIAL NUMBER :	10/767,779	EXAMINER :	Not Yet Assigned
FILING DATE :	January 28, 2004	ART UNIT :	1632
FOR :	<b>METHODS OF AMPLIFYING AND SEQUENCING NUCLEIC ACIDS</b>		

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO ACCOMPANY  
SEQUENCE LISTING AND DRAWINGS**

Sir:

To comply with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed June 22, 2004, Applicants submit herewith this Preliminary Amendment, Replacement Drawing Sheets, a Sequence Listing in paper and computer readable forms, and a Statement indicating that the paper and computer readable forms are identical. While Applicants believe that no additional fees are needed, the USPTO is authorized to charge or credit the undersigned Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21465-510 UTIL, for any additional fees that are required. Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of this Amendment in the application.

Before Examining the above identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.